

Serial No. 09/864,338
Supplemental Amendment

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REMARKS

Pending Claims

Claims 53-63, 65 and 70-74 remain pending and have not been amended.

Amendments to the Specification

Applicants have amended the first sentence of the Reissue Specification to provide notice stating that more than one reissue application has been filed. Specifically, applicants have stated that for the reissue of U.S. Patent No. 5,526,313, the reissue applications are Application No. 09/864,338 (the present application) and 09/095,101, both of which are continuation reissues of U.S. Patent No. 5,526,313. This notice is provided in compliance with MPEP 1451 and therefore entry of the amendment to the Specification is respectfully requested.

Supplemental Declaration

Submitted herewith is a Supplemental Declaration signed by the inventors K. Ito and Y. Nakagome.

The Supplemental Declaration sets forth an error supporting the filing of the present reissue application. The error is that the patentees claimed less than they had a right to claim in the patent. Specifically, the patentee had a right to claim the embodiment of the invention shown in Figures 12A – 15C. The pending claims are submitted to correct the error in which patentees claimed less than they had a right to claim in the patent.

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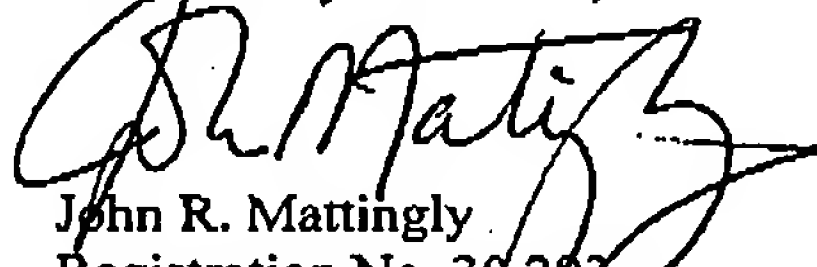
The Supplemental Declaration points out that the original claims of U.S. Patent No. 5,526,313 are directed to Figures 73A – 78C of the application. Each of the independent claims 1, 5, 6, 8 and 9 includes a sense amplifier and common driving lines or a common driving line pair for driving the sense amplifiers. These limitations are not in pending claims 53 – 63, 65 and 70 – 74 since the claimed invention of the present reissue application is directed to the embodiment of the invention shown in Figures 12A – 15C. Accordingly, applicants have complied with MPEP 1414. Accordingly, the error set forth in the Supplemental Declaration submitted herewith supports the filing of present parent reissue application.

Conclusion

Applicants provide the Supplemental Declaration in order to ensure that the present application is passed to allowance and issue.

Applicants earnestly solicit that the present reply places the application in condition to receive a Notice of Allowance, and therefore, mailing of a Notice of Allowance to Applicants is respectfully requested.

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